

**Amendments to the Specification**

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 2, line 30, with the following replacement paragraph:

The strain disclosed in this description has been deposited in the Agricultural Research Service Patent Culture Collection (NRRL), Northern Regional Research Center, 1815 North University Street, Peoria, Ill. 61604, U.S.A, as NRRL B-30641<sup>T</sup>. The deposit was received by NRRL on February 4, 2003, and was given an accession number by the International Depository Authority of NRRL B-30641. The deposit has been made to and received by the International Depository Authority under the provisions of the Budapest Treaty, and all restrictions upon public access to the deposit will be irrevocably removed upon the grant of a patent on this application.